

TO: MEMBERS OF THE MAINE WATER WELL COMMISSION

FROM: Donald Wiswell, CHAIRMAN

DATE: March 8, 2004

SUBJECT: MEETING Tuesday, March 2, 2004

The next commission meeting will be held on **Tuesday, April 6, 2004** at the Maine Motor Transport, Whitten Road, Augusta. The phone number is 623-4128.

THE APRIL MEETING WILL START AT 9:00 AM

1. Approve minutes of March 2, 2004 meeting.
2. Discuss pending matters, complaints, responses, application, etc.
3. New Business.
4. Public Comments.

MAINE WATER WELL DRILLING COMMISSION

Minutes of March 2, 2004 Meeting

Members Present:

Donald Wiswell, Chairman
Ed Bowie, Driller, Driller
Marc Loiselle, MGS
Chris Olson, DOT
Glenn Dyer, Driller
David Braley, DHS

Others Present:

Dean Getchell
Paul Gauvreau
Carol Champagne
Conrad "Joe" Dube
Jennifer Dube
Barry Sanford
Debbie Dyer

Call to Order:

Meeting was called to order at 9:10 AM.

Approval of March 2, 2003 meeting minutes:

Glenn Dyer made a motion to accept the minutes and Ed Bowie 2nd the motion. Approved unanimously.

Update on Complaints:

Mike Morin vs Conrad "Joe" Dube Well Drilling - Dean Getchell submitted his report of the inspection to the Commission. Mr. Dube spoke regarding the issue of Radon and Uranium in the previous drilled deeper wells. It was determined by the homeowner that a shallow well was needed to stay away from the Radon, and that's what Mr. Dube drilled. The Commission determined that 12 feet of casing instead of the 20 feet of casing required by the Rules was installed in the well.

Ed Bowie made a motion to require Jaswell Type seals to be installed at a depth at least 20 feet below the top of the existing casing at a point where the bedrock surface allows a tight seal and the well be disinfected by Mr. Dube. Dean will be present. David Braley seconded the motion. Motion passed.

Shawn Benoit vs Gerry Hill Well Drilling - The Hearing date has been changed to April. Mrs. Hill was given a copy of the video inspection and file on Shawn Benoit vs Gerry Hill Well Drilling.

Gregory Beane vs Carmel Well Drilling - Carmel Well Drilling has drilled a replacement well. Mr. Rudnicki license was provisionally reinstated pending completion of hook up in the spring.

Cheryl Cook vs Road Runner (Peter Peaslee)- The Attorney General's office date for the civil preceding was held on March 3, 2004, on Unfair Trade Practices.

Hoyt & Cheryl Fairbrother vs Burnett Well Drilling - Mr. DeBeck's individual and company license has been suspended, he may appeal within 21 days from the time he receives the notice. The return green card states delivery date as February 2, 2004 his appeal must be by March 2, 2004.

Paul & Linda Ronquist vs P. L. Jones & Son INC - On hold. Mr. Jones has 30 days to pay the fine.

New Complaints:

Jenny Bickford vs Bowie Bros Well Drilling - The complaint is a frozen trench line and near top of casing near pitless.

Paul Gauvereau recommended the "Chapter 238", the Internal Plumbing Code, be reviewed as they are referenced in our Rules. On hold until the Plumbers Rules can be reviewed.

Ed Bowie abstained from the discussion.

Carolyn Damon vs Philbrick Well Drilling - The complaint is silt in the water.

The complaint letter was sent to the driller on January 19, 2004. On hold until the driller responds.

Sandra Esancy vs Affordable Well Drilling - The complaint is foam in the well after running water for 2 days. Plus coliform bacteria tested positive.

The complaint letter was sent to the driller on March 2, 2004. A motion was made by Glenn Dyer to send Dean Getchell to inspect the well. Ed Bowie 2nd it. Motion Passed.

Tricia Balzano vs Roger Hillock & Son Well Inc - The complaint is, sediment and dark brown water. The complaint letter was sent to Dwight Brackett on March 2, 2004. On hold until the driller responds.

Complaints Closed

Serena Daigle vs Merl "Sam" Dunham Well Drilling - Closed

Specialty Wells

Patrick McGuigan - Fleming Well Drilling - Approved with 120' casing or Jaswell type seals.

Examinations Requested

David Bourque is requesting to sit for the Journeyman Pump Installers exam. OK by the Commission

Steve Palmer who took the exam and passed, was instated as an apprentice due to not holding an apprentice license for 1 year. When the year is up he will not have to sit for the exam again and will be issued his license. The exam will be kept in his file.

Examination Passed

None

Meeting Dates for 2004

April 6, 2004	September 7, 2004
May 4, 2004	October 5, 2004
June 1, 2004	November 2, 2004
July 6, 2004	December 2, 2004
August 3, 2004	

Subject to change.

Other Business

The Commission is in need of a new Borehole camera. The old one has been repaired many times and is no longer reliable. Ed Bowie made a motion to buy a new camera and Glenn Dyer 2nd it.

The meeting was adjourned at 12:50.

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